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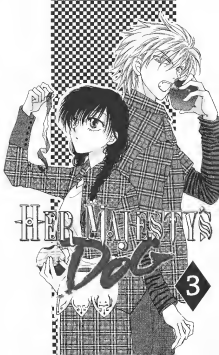
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HER MAJESTY

DOG

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Concerning Honorifics

At Do! Com, we do our best to ensure that our translations read smoothly in English while respecting the original Japanese language and culture. To this end, the original honorifics (the suffixes found at the end of characters' names) remain intact. In Japan, where politeness and formality are more integrated into every aspect of the language, honorifics give a better understanding of character relationships. They can be used to indicate both respect and affection. Whether a person addresses someone by first name or last name also indicates how close their relationship is.

Here are some of the honorifics you might encounter in reading this book.

-san: This is the most common and neutral of honorifics. The polite way to address someone you're not on close terms with is to use "san." It's kind of like Mr. or Ms., except you can use "-san" with first names as easily as family names.

-chan: Used for friendly familiarity, mostly applied towards young girls. "-chan" also carries a connotation of cuteness with it, so it is frequently used with nicknames towards both boys and girls (such as "Na-chan" for "Natsu").

-kun: Like "-chan," it's an informal suffix for friends and classmates, only "-kun" is usually associated with boys. It can also be used in a professional environment by someone addressing a subordinate.

-sensei: Indicates a great deal of respect or admiration.

Sempai: In school, "sempai" is used to refer to an upperclassman or club leader. It can also be used in the workplace by a new employee to address a mentor or staff member with senility.

Sensei: Teachers, doctors, writers or any master of a trade are referred to as "sensei." When addressing a manga creator, the polite thing to do is attach "-sensei" to the manga-ka's name (as in Mizuko-sensei).

Oni: This is the most casual term for an older brother. Usually you'll see it with an honorific attached, such as "oni-chan."

Oaen: The casual term for older sister, it's used like "oni" with honorifics.

[blank]: Not using an honorific when addressing someone indicates that the speaker has permission to speak intimately with the other person. This relationship is usually reserved for close friends and family.



• Sweet life as a dog •

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CAST OF CHARACTERS



AMANE KAMORI

There's much more to this high school first year girl than meets the eye. Amane comes from a rural village where magic and superstition are still a way of life. She is a "Mantōshi" – a medium who can control anyone or anything using "kotodama," or word magic. The most powerful of her kind, Amane was both revered and feared at home. In order to escape the oppressive ways of her clan, Amane moves to Tokyo with her grandfather, Hyōmei, and tries to live a normal life as a student. Adapting to city life isn't easy for Amane, and neither is keeping her power a secret. But for a dream of living a normal life, it's worth the risk!

HYŌMEI INUGAMI

Hyōmei is a Kōma-Oni, a guardian demon whose sole purpose in life is to protect his master. Currently, Hyōmei is serving Amane. But his feelings for her are more than those of a servant for a mistress. Usually he looks like an ordinary teenager, but when the situation calls for it, Hyōmei can transform into a fiery demon-dog. By growing close with Amane he can find on her life force—her love literally brings out the demon in him!



TAKAKO NISHINA

Amane's first and best friend. Amane once saved Takako's life, but afterward blotted her friend's memories using kotodama. Level-headed Takako helps to keep the socially inept Amane out of trouble.



HAYATO HIRAKA

Amane's cousin and fellow user of "Mato," he's currently teaching Classical Japanese at Amane's school. His real name is Tokiya, the eldest of the village elders in order to watch over Amane. His kami-noi, Tsubaki, takes the form of a shadowy demon bird.

DOGFIGHT 11





IT'S
AS
IF...

...HE'S
WORRIED
ABOUT
SOMETHING.

WOLF HAS
TAKEN ACTING
VERY INTERESTING
EASILY.



HE'S
ALWAYS
LETTING
OUT THESE
LONG
SIGNS.



SIGH...



Here's
Habit

Kawaiiha! This is Takachi.
I've worked on other series before,
but this is the first one to get up to
3 volumes. Hooray! Of course, this is
all thanks to those of you who have been
reading the series and supporting me.
Without you, I never could have made it
this far. Thank you so much!



Here I is
not at least
A personal
reward

Whisper
with you

SIGH

BUT I KNOW THAT THERE'S MORE TO IT THAN THAT.

THAT'S TRUE.

WON'T HE STILL FEEL GUILTY ABOUT ZANGUO KUN?

EVEN THOUGH ZANGUO BETRAYED HIS OWN PEOPLE, THEY WERE ONCE CLOSE FRIENDS.

I'M SURE THAT'S PART OF IT.



WANTING
THE BEST
FLOORING
GO TO
THE
FLOORING
KING?

EVEN
THOUGH
EATING
BATHING
POOLS, THEY
WILL ONCE
CLOSE
FOR GOOD.

THE
MUSIC
I HAVE TO
HEAR

HOUSE
HASN'T
BEEN
COMED
HOME AT
MIDNIGHT

4400
 4400
 4400
 4400
 4400
 4400



ANDREW
ALLEN
AND
ALLEN
AND
ALLEN

DID HE
 EVER
 ON HIS
 CHANCE?

NO, HE
 COULDN'T...

HOW
 COULD
 HE
 HAVE
 BEEN
 HERE
 AND
 BACK...

COULD HE
 BE
 SEEING
 ANOTHER
 WOMAN?

I
 JUST
 CAN'T
 FIGURE
 IT
 OUT...

COULD HE
BE CALLED
A COWARD?
BY JAMES P.

I just can't figure it out...

10



I'LL
HAVE TO
TEACH HIM
ABOUT TALKING
THE TRUTH!

HEY,
HYOU-
KUN!

BY
THE
WAY...



DON'T
YOU HAVE
SOMETHING
YOU NEED TO
TELL ARAME-
CHAN?

JUST LOOK
AT THAT
REACTIONS!

YOU
MIGHT
BE WELL
FIND UP
BEFORE
SHE GETS
HURT.

SHE'S
GOING
TO FIND
OUT THE
TRUTH
SOONER
OR LATER.

拳動

WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT,
ARAME-
KUN?

WH-
WHAT
...





I KNOW YOU'RE GOOD FOR IT, SLUSH!

YO, DOKU-
WAD.



UH...



NOW!!



PORK
OVER
YOUR
MONEY



HEY
ASS-
HOLE

AREN'T
YOU A LITTLE
OLD TO BE
TAKING
PEOPLE'S
LUNCH
MONEY?

GRAS

!?



THANK YOU
HIGUCHI-KUN!



PHOTO.

AH...



YEAH

YOU'RE
RIGHT...

YOU'RE
NOT A
DICK,
REMEMBER?

YOU NEED
TO START
STANDING
UP FOR
YOURSELF.

These refer to volume 1, ABOUT 4



S-SURE!
ANY-
THING.

YOU
ALWAYS
HELP
ME OUT.

MAY IT
IS IT?



OH
YEAH,
DICK!

I HAVE
A PRAYER
TO ASK
YOU,
AS A
FRIEND.



*Milk (verb):
To extract a
whitish liquid
produced by the
mammary glands
of a female
mammal...*





THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO ASK YOU...

A-A-SHAMELESSLY

Isn't it a shameless question?

HYO-LEI?

WHERE ARE YOU NOW?



THIS SOUND IS...

HUNG?

BINGO!



YOU'VE
BEEN
GAMBLING?

ARE
YOU
SERIOUS?

I'M
SORRY!!



THIS
DOG
HAS
ALWAYS
BEEN
CRAZY
ABOUT
GAMBLING...

...EVEN
THOUGH IT'S
CAUSED HIM
NO END OF
TROUBLE.



I'M
SORRY!!

WHEN WE LEFT
THE VILLAGE
DIDN'T YOU
PROMISE ME
THAT YOU
WOULD GIVE
UP GAMBLING?



I'M
SORRY!!

IF THAT
THOSE
PUNDS
WERE
GOING
TO
BEAT
BACK
UP
I
SAVED
MAY

PERHAPS
THERE
WAS
A
PROBLEM
WITH
HOW
YOU
ASKED
HIM.

I
JUST
ASKED
HIM
TO
LEND
IT
TO
ME!

I
NEVER
EXTORTED
HIM!

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
THAT
TO
PAY
OFF
YOUR
DEBTS...
...YOU
EXTORTED
MONEY
FROM
YOUR
FRIEND.

WELL...
WAIT
A
MINUTE!

I
DON'T
WANT
TO
HEAR
IT!

WELL...
IT'S
A
LONG
STORY.

OH,
SO
YOU
DECIDED
TO
CELEBRATE
YOUR
WEDDING
WITH
GAMBLING.

I'M
VERY
DISAP-
POINTED
IN
YOU!

I
NEVER
ASKED
YOU
TO
CARE
ABOUT
ME!!



I'M
DOING
ALL THIS
FOR A
REASON

BEHOLD,
IT'S NONE
OF YOUR
BUSINESS!

LEAVE ME
ALONE!



THAT'S
WHAT
FRUSTRATES
ME THE
MOST...



ENOUGH
NO

ARE
YOU GIRLS
FRIENDS OF
HYO-CHAN?

HYO-
CHAN?



STAY AWAY



SHE DIDN'T
EVER WANT
TO MARRY ME
I HAD TO SAY

IRK

AND SHE
GOT ALL
PISSED OFF.

DAMNIT
I SAID ALL
THE WRONG
THINGS.



WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN
"HURRY"



HEY
YOU!
KID!



IRK

IRK





YEAH,
AND IF
I WIN,
YOU'LL
CANCEL
THE DEBT
ENTIRELY.



YOU STILL
DREAM WITH
OUR LITTLE
CONTRACT,
RIGHT?

IF YOU
LOSE
AGAIN,
"THE DEBT"
WILL BE
DOUBLED!



Wa
La
La
La!

IF YOU
STILL
THINK
YOU
STAND A
CHANCE
...
THEN
COME
AND
PLAY.



...BUT
I CAN'T
DO THAT.

I JUST
WANT
TO WIN.



THIS WOULD
BE A LOT
EASIER IF
I COULD JUST
TRANSFORM...



THAT
YOU'RE
TRYING TO
PAY OFF THE
DEBT FOR
THE
OLD MAN.

I HEARD
ABOUT
YOUR
SITU-
TION.

"IT'S
OUR
FAULT."

...AND FELL
FOR THEIR
BLACK MARKET
GAMBLING
SCAMS."

"WE
BELIEVED
THOSE
BASTARDS..."

"YOU
CAN
COUNT
ON
ME!"

...BUT HE
COULDN'T
COME UP
WITH THE
2 MILLION
YEN!..

"WHO-KNOW
HAS BEEN
TRYING HARD
TO PAY OFF
OUR DEBT..."

"WE'RE
FRENCH,
RIGHT?"

...SO HE
HAD NO
CHOICE
BUT TO
COME UP
WITH THE
REMAINING
BALANCE
THROUGH
GAMBLING."

...WORKING
OVERNIGHT
TO EARN
MONEY...

Source: ALPHADOG AND





"I
COULDN'T
HELP A
FRIEND OF
MINE WHO
WAS GOING
THROUGH
PROBLEMS
SO ..

"I WANT
TO HELP
YOU GUYS
OUT."



THEN WHY
DIDN'T YOU
ASK ME
TO HELP
YOU?

"...I
COULDN'T
TELL
YOU..."

"I
JUST..."



YOU
AND I
SHARE
THE SAME
FATEL. DON'T
WET

YOU
SHOULD
KNOW
BY NOW
NOT TO
TRY AND
SHIELD
ME FROM
EVERY-
THING

"I'M
NOT A
LITTLE
GIRL
ANYMORE



IS IT
BECAUSE
YOU DIDN'T
WANT ME TO
KNOW THAT
YOU'VE BEEN
SHAMELESS?"

DON'T
BE SO
KINDRANT!

"I
COULDN'T
GET YOU
INVOLVED
WITH SUCH
SHAMEY
PEOPLE

THAT'S
PART OF
IT BUT...

...THAT
YOU'RE GOING
THROUGH
TROUBLE
BY YOUR-
SELF.

IT HURTS
ME EVEN
MORE TO
KNOW...

SSSSSS
SSSSSS

AAAAH...

Badum







IT'S YOUR TURN.



YOU KNOW THE RULES?

...WHAT THEY CALL "CANNON-BORN"?



SO ...



GRIN



THREE NIGHT MUCH TIME...

I'VE PLAYED THIS KIND OF BOARD BEFORE.

...THEN
YOU'VE
GONE TO
TEN TIMES
YOUR NET...
...AND IF
YOU GET
4, 5, AND 6
YOU COULD
YOUR NET.

ON THE OTHER HAND, IF ALL THESE ENGINES ARE TO

WHAT
IF ALL
THESE
ONCE-UPON-
A-TIME
FILM
STARS

THROW
THE DICE
AND IF TWO
OUT OF THE
THREE DICE
MATCH IN
NUMBERS...

THE
LAST
ONE IS
CALLED
THE
"CIGARETTE."

THE
NUMBER IS
THE NUMBER
LIKELY YOU
WILL WIN.

THAT HE
CALLING
AND YOU
LOVE

2004

IN THIS
CASE THE
LAST ONE
IS A
... ..

AND IN ORDER TO WIN ONE OF US NEEDS TO ROLL A "5" OR A "6" AS THEIR GENE

TUMBLR



SO YOU GOT LUCKY.

DON'T LET IT GET TO YOUR HEAD, GIRL.

Doubled
her bet.



5 times
her bet.





COOPER FOR
THE DOGS
HUMAN

THAT'S
WHAT
THEY
CALL

...THE
HOME
OF A
DISGRACED
DOG?

IN FACT,
GAWLING

...IS
DESCENDED
FROM
FORTUNE
TELLING.
SHIRAKI WOULD
INTERPRET
THE RESULTS
OF THESE
"GAMES OF
CHANCE"

...TO
EXPLAIN
THINGS
BEYOND
HUMAN
UNDER-
STANDING

DON'T
MIX
WITH
US!!

YOU
DAMN
KID!!

THOSE
WERE
FIRST
USED...

...AS A
METHOD
OF PROPHET-
SEEING.

I
HAVE NO
RELATION
TO
CHART...

WHY WHAT'S
GONG ON?



WHY WHAT'S
GONG ON?

WELL...

IF YOU
CAN'T
UNDER-
STAND
IT...

SHAME

...I'D
BE GLAD
TO MAKE
YOU UNDER-
STAND.

THE
ODDS
ARE
AGAINST
YOU.

YOU'RE
PLAYING
IN MY
TERRITORY.

CLATTER





THE OLD MEN ARE FINALLY FREE.

FINALLY, I'M SAVED!

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEBT

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEBT

WELCOME



WHAT?



YOU KNOW ABOUT...



I HEARD THAT YOU GOT TO KNOW THE OLD MEN THROUGH GAMBLING.



It's all about



the thrill!





I won't find
you until you
leave your
house!

Shouldn't you
leave your
house, you?

Please
forget me!



THERE
IS NO
WINNING
THIS TIME...

HYOU-
KUN!



WHEN
CHANCE
ENCOUNTER
YOU AND
ARENS
TOGETHER...

...YOU
USED
UP ALL
YOUR
LUCK.

HER MAJESTY'S *DOG*



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HER MAJESTY'S DOG

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

By necessity, Amare Komori lives a life of secrecy. The only ones who know the truth about her powers and Hyuse's true form are her best friend Takako and her mother, Kiyoko. But when Amare's desire to help others expands her powers to a stranger, the High School Shaman finds herself at the mercy of a manipulative and egotistical classmate. If Amare is the "slave" of this new "master," does that make Hyuse his "super-slave"?

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DOGFIGHT 12

"IT'S A WOLF!
A WOLF!
THIS TIME,
I'M SERIOUS!"
A SHEPHERD
BOY SHOUTED.

BUT NONE OF
THE VILLAGERS
BELIEVED HIM.

...BECAUSE HE'D
LIED ABOUT IT SO
MANY TIMES BEFORE.



THE
VILLAGERS
LAUGHED AT
HIM.

AND THE
SHEPHERD BOY
WAS ALONE
AGAIN...

SO THIS TIME
WHEN THE
WOLF CAME
TO HELP
HIM...

DOGFIGHT 12









あーんあーん







OF COURSE
I WASN'T
REALLY
GOING
TO JUMP.

*I don't
want to
die!*

*Took the
stairs.*

HA
HA
HA
HA!



THAT'S
YOU RIGHT!
COULD
HAVE DIED
IF YOU
FELL FROM
THAT
HEIGHT!

*Anna:
why can't
you worry
about me?*

ARE YOU
INSANE!?
THAT THING
ALMOST
FELL ON
ME!



HON-
ESTLY
...

I
WOULDN'T
REALLY
CARE
IF I DID
DIE.







HE'S STILL
THE MOST
POPULAR
TEEN ACTOR
AROUND!

PEOPLE
SAID HE
WAS THE
BEST CHILD
ACTOR OF
HIS GENER-
ATION!

HE
GOES
BY SCOUTA
MITSUMINE...

...BUT
HIS REAL
NAME
IS Aoi
MITSUMINE.

EVER
SINCE HE
WAS A KID
HE'S BEEN
ACTING FOR
TV AND
MOVIES.





YOU CAN'T
APPROACH
HIM!!



Reaction and
counter-reaction
are pretty good
acting too...

Just let
him be a
different
type of
person...

BUT...

OF COURSE
YOU LIKE
HIM.

HE'S
SO SEXY,
EVERYONE
LIKES HIM!



CHAPTER

WHAT'S
GOING ON,
SOUTA-KUN?

BECAUSE
HE IS...



YOU
NEVER
SHOWED UP
FOR OUR
DATE LAST
WEEK!

I WAS
WAITING
FOR YOU
AT THE CLUB FOR
HOURS!!

CHAPTER CHAPTER







GRAB

DON'T
CALL ME
BY THAT
NAME!

Souta!

SOUTA
MITSUMINE!!

GASP

Sweep







NO
MORE
PATHETIC
THAN THIS
GIRL.



SHE JUST
WANTS TO
BRAG ABOUT
DATING AN
ACTOR.

OTHER-
WISE SHE
WOULDN'T
SUGGEST
MEETING
UP ON A
FRIDAY

...AT A NIGHT...
CLUB
THAT'S
POPULAR
AMONG
GROUPIES,
RIGHT?



YOU'RE
PATHETIC.
YOU'D RAISE
YOUR HAND
AGAINST A
LADY?



I WON'T
SAY THAT
ALL LIES
ARE BAD
...

EVEN
SO...

...IT'S
WRONG
TO BREAK
A PROMISE.

... BUT
IF YOU
KEEP
LYING
LIKE
THAT...

... SOON
NOBODY
WILL
BELIEVE
YOU
ANYMORE.



I DON'T BELIEVE ANYONE,
AND I DON'T WANT ANYONE TO BELIEVE ME.

I DON'T CARE.

THE REAL WOLF IS HERE, HUH?

I'M TIRED OF PEOPLE ASSUMING THEY KNOW WHAT TYPE OF PERSON I AM.

giggle

"YOU WON'T..."



I SEE.



BESIDES, I THINK IT'S TOO LATE ANYWAYS.

NOBODY BELIEVES ME ANYMORE.

... BETRAY ME, RIGHT?"



...ABOUT
THE SPIRIT
OF A WOMAN
WHO HAUNTS
YOU.

NO,
I'M
CURIOUS
...







A
FEMALE
SPIRIT.

I'M
SURE
THERE ARE
PLENTY
OF GIRLS
WITH A
GRUDGE
AGAINST
HIM.



I
KNOW.

SEMPAI
DOESN'T
SEEM TOO
COOPER-
ATIVE,
THOUGH.



I WISH
HE WOULD
BELIEVE
ME.



3



IT'S
TRUE.

I'M STILL
NOT SURE
WHOSE
IT IS...

...BUT A
VENGEFUL
SPIRIT HAS
POSSESSED
HIM.



I'd like to speak with you about the spirit.
I'll be waiting in the Reference Room
on the 4th floor of the East Building
after school. I want to keep this matter
private so please come alone.

—Mitsuwine

LOCK!
IT
WORKED!

MITSUWINE-
SENPAI
BELIEVED
ME.

You believe him?

Emotionally
Moved

The odds are
probably just
another lot

YOU
SEE?

I KNEW
HE WOULD
UNDERSTAND
IF I SHOWED
MY GOOD
FAITH.



NO WAY!

DON'T WORRY.

HE'S NOT AS BAD AS EVERYONE THINKS.



I WONDER...

...IF I GOT HERE TOO EARLY?



MTSU-MINE-SENPAI?



ALL
THIS TIME
YOU'VE
THOUGHT
OF ME
AS THE
MISGUIDED
SHEPHERD
BOY...

...BUT
REALLY
I'M THE
BIG BAD
WOLF.

LET ME
PUT IT
ANOTHER
WAY.

GROO









HYOUE!



SHHF

...THAT
THIS GUY
WOULD BE
TROUBLE
??

HOW
DID I
KNOW?







THE WOLF KID JUST PASSED OUT.

YES.



AMANE-CHAN!
ARE YOU OKAY??



MY TRUE FORM?



THEN HE NEVER SAW YOUR TRUE FORM.

I'M GLAD.



I did you know I was watching you guys?

OKAY...



HA HA HA

NO WORRIES!

HE DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING, REMEMBER?

It all worked out!



YOU GUYS NEED TO PAY MORE ATTENTION TO WHAT YOU'RE DOING!!

That's right!
It's supposed to be a secret!

I forgot all about it.

Why am I the only one always paying attention to these things?



90% ☆



I NEVER WOULD HAVE BELIEVED IT IF I HADN'T SEEN IT WITH MY OWN EYES.





SURE.

GIRL

ONLY...

...IF YOU
PROMISE
THAT YOU'LL
BECOME
MY SLAVE.



DOGFIGHT 13





• When it comes to a good love story, a romantic rival is inevitable, don't you agree? The current challenger is Aoi-kun (Higashimura) is also Hime's rival in another way. So far, fans of the series don't really like him much (laugh).
 • That's okay -- if wasn't my intention for him to be popular at first. I wanted to create a character whose life is built on lies, the opposite of Amore's personality. Because he's like the Boy Who Cried Wolf, his name is well-related in Japanese. Visually he more like a cat than a wolf. Dog vs. Cat (laugh). I went all out making him a pretty boy (whether he looks handsome to you or not, I can't be sure!). Regardless, I enjoy drawing him.

About
 Aoi-kun

I'VE HAD
ENOUGH
OF YOUR
CRAP,
PRETTY
BOY!!

AFTER ALL
YOU'RE MY
SLAVE.

SNAP



...WHILE
YOU TAKE
ADVANTAGE
OF AMANE!

I'M
NOT
GOING
TO JUST
STAND
BY...

...BUT
WHEN I
DON'T GET
WHAT I
WANT...

...I CAN
BE QUITE
NOISY,
TOO.

YOU'RE
MAKING
A LOT
OF
NOISE

You talked
my precious
sister's
head.

YOU
TOO
AMANE!

YOU
DON'T
NEED TO
LISTEN TO
THIS BIG
LIAR!



ATTENTION
ALL
STUDENTS!!

DID
YOU KNOW
THAT HYOU
INUGAMI IS
REALLY A--

WAAH!!
I'm
sorry!

YOU'RE
MY BITCH,
LITTLE
DOGGIE.



SEE?
THAT'S
WHAT
HAPPENS
WHEN YOU
MAKE TOO
MUCH
NOISE.



HE'S
TREATING
YOU AS
HIS
SLAVE.
DON'T
YOU
GET
IT?!

"HELP-
ING
OUT"!
?!

HELPING
SOMEONE
OUT FOR
A LITTLE
WHILE
ISN'T SO
BAD.

Smile of the
Ignorant



I'm gonna
kill him!!

DON'T
GET SO
UPSET,
HYOU.

EVERY-
THING
HAPPENS
FOR A
REASON.



These acts are too explicit to be shown in this manga.

A little hookie-hookie

Maybe some hanky-panky.

UH ...

UHM ...

UHM ...



H
U
H
?

WHAT TYPE OF THINGS?



...BUT WHAT IF HE STARTS DEMANDING OTHER THINGS?

IT'S NO BIG DEAL IF HE JUST HAS YOU RUN ERRANDS ...

Eek!



And actually you can't do them a phrase...

UH... OKAY...

...if he demands that I turn a triple axel, turn a somersault or turn a phrase, I wouldn't know what to do...

I SUPPOSE...



I... I GUESS THAT MAKES SENSE.

IT'LL BE EASIER FOR ME TO RELEASE IT...

...IF I STAY CLOSE TO HIM.

THE FEMALE SPIRIT POSSESSING HIM...

...IS MOST TENACIOUS.

BUT THERE'S STILL THE MATTER OF THE SPIRIT!

HEY, YOU!



WELL....

I'M NOT SURE.



GIVE ME A BREAK.

SLAP

I CAN'T REMEMBER!



DID SHE LOOK AT ALL FAMILIAR TO YOU?

YOU SAW THE FACE OF THE SPIRIT, RIGHT?



IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS IF I LIVE OR DIE.



EXACTLY! THIS IS ABOUT MY LIFE.



YOU NEED TO TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY!!

YOUR LIFE IS ON THE LINE!



THIS
SODA IS
LUKEWARM.

WHY
YOU
UNGRATE-
FUL
LITTLE--

MORE
IMPOR-
TANTLY
...

**Pine melon flavor*



I BE-
LIEVE THE
VENDING
MACHINE IN
THE EAST
HALL HAS
IT.

GO
FETCH
ME ONE,
AMANE.

ACTUALLY,
I CHANGED
MY MIND.
I WANT A
JASMINE
ICED TEA
INSTEAD.



GLARE

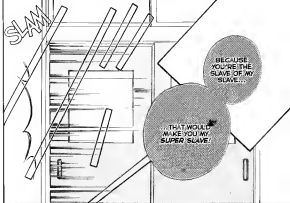
I'LL
GET IT
FOR YOU,
SEMPAI-SAMA.

NO!

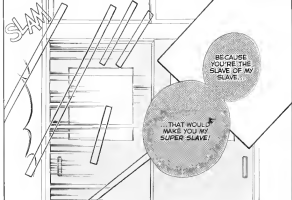
UH...
SURE...

POFF!

AH!
THAT'S
RIGHT.









THIS HAS
NOTHING
TO DO
WITH OUR
MASTER-
SERVANT
RELATION-
SHIP.

SMOKING
IS BAD
FOR YOUR
HEALTH
SO I'M
TELLING
YOU TO
QUIT!



AND
YOU'RE
UNDER-
AGE.

YOU'RE
MY SLAVE.
DON'T
DISOBEY
YOUR
MASTER.



Quit
smo!



SMOKING,
ESPECIALLY
UNDERAGE
SMOKING,
INCREASES
THE PRESENCE
OF CARBON
MONOXIDE
IN THE
BLOOD...

...AND IT
HAS SERIOUS
NEGATIVE
EFFECTS ON THE
DEVELOPMENT OF
YOUR BRAIN AND
LUNGS.

I
TOLD
YOU TO
QUIT,
SO
QUIT!



9



THAT
WOULD
BE...

...THE
SENSIBLE
THING
TO DO,
RIGHT?



OH?

IT'S A
LIMITED
VERY
RARE,
YOU
KNOW?

To-doh!

HEY!
LOOK.

DON'T YOU
THINK THIS
LIGHTER
IS COOL?



BUT THAT
WOMAN...

"THAT'S
ANFLE,
AOI-KUN!"

...IF THEY
CAUGHT
THEIR
CHILDREN
SMOKING
WOULD
TELL THEM
TO STOP,
RIGHT?

MOST
PAR-
ENTS
...

MY
MOTHER
BOUGHT
IT FOR
ME.



!

"I BELIEVE
IN YOU,
ACH-KUN."



"YOU'RE
THE ONLY
ONE I
COUNT ON."



"YOU'LL
NEVER
KNOW WHO
MIGHT BE
WATCHING
YOU."

"DON'T CARRY
ITEMS THAT
WOULD BRING
DOWN YOUR
IMAGE!"

THAT
WAS
HER
REACTION.

"YOU
SHOULDN'T
USE SUCH
A CHEAP
LOOKING
LIGHTER!"



SHE
WAS A
TYPICAL
STAGE
MOM.

HER ONLY
CONCERN
WAS MAKING
ME BECOME
FAMOUS.

ESPECIALLY
AFTER
DAD LEFT
HER FOR
ANOTHER
WOMAN.

I WAS...

...JUST
A WAY
FOR HER
TO BOOST
HER EGO.

HAVING A
CELEBRITY
SON WAS
MORE
IMPORTANT
TO HER...

...THAN
MY
WELL-BEING.

"YOU WON'T
DISAPPOINT
ME, WILL YOU?"

...
VERY
TOUGH
...

THAT
MUST
HAVE
BEEN
...

I WAS PSYCHE!
JUST
KIDDING!
DID YOU
BELIEVE
ME?

*It was
nothing
like that...*

GASP!





THAT'S
TRUE...

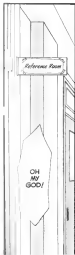


SOMETIMES
IT WOULD
BE EASIER...

...IF
YOU
DIDN'T
HAVE
TO LIE.



GOOD
MORNING,
MY
SLAVES!









...BUT APPARENTLY HE USED TO BE VERY SERIOUS ABOUT HIS CAREER.

MITSUWINE-SERPAI ACTS COCKY AT SCHOOL ...

BUT SINCE HIS MOTHER DIED...

...HE'S BEEN EMOTIONALLY UNSTABLE.

IT'S AS IF HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT ANYTHING ANYMORE.

...isn't the gossip TV program just making a fool of him?



YEAH.

IT SAYS RIGHT HERE...

...THAT SHE DIED IN A CAR CRASH 6 MONTHS AGO.



...THE SAME PERSONALITY AS WHEN THEY WERE ALIVE.

SPIRITS DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE...



WHY WOULD SHE TRY TO KILL HER OWN SON?

NO WAY!? IT'S HIS MOTHER!?

ATEKO ...



THAT MEANS ...

...THE SPIRIT POSSESSING HIM IS ...



IT'S
DANGER-
OUS TO
LEAVE
HIM
ALONE!

TURZ

THAT
BAS-
TARD...

TMP



Reference Room

TMP

TMP

SLIP

MITSU-
MINE!!



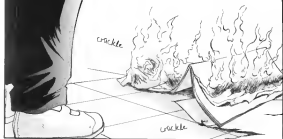
!?



IF SHE
WAS MERELY
A LOST SOUL,
IT WOULD
BE A
DIFFERENT
STORY...

...BUT
SPIRITS
HELD ON
EARTH
BECAUSE
OF A
POWERFUL
EMOTION
LACK ALL
REASON.

OH
DEAR...







JUST
AS I
THOUGHT...
...YOU
KNEW
THAT
IT WAS
HER ALL
ALONG.



YOU DIDN'T
LIKE HER,
DID YOU?



...I'M
WORTHLESS
IF I'M NOT
SOUTA
MITSU-
MINE.

JUST
LIKE
THAT
GIRL
SAID...



THAT'S
WHY
YOU'RE
ANGRY...



!?



...ISN'T
IT, MOM?

ZWOO
!!



I
HATED
HER.

I
FELT
SUFFO-
CATED.

SHE
ALWAYS
PRESSURED
ME INTO
DOING
WHAT SHE
WANTED.

THERE
WAS AN
EVER
PRESENT
FORCE
WEIGH-
ING ME
DOWN.

"I HAVE
TO TRY
AND MAKE
MOM HAPPY."

EVEN IF
I CAN'T
GO TO
SCHOOL
AND PLAY
WITH FRIENDS.

"I NEED
TO BE
STRONG."



THAT'S
WHY I
DESTROY-
ED MY REPU-
TATION

...SO
THAT
PEOPLE
WOULD
STOP EX-
PECTING
THINGS
FROM
ME.



ALL
THEY
CARED
ABOUT
WAS SCOUTA
MITSU-
MINE.

THEY
HAD THIS
IDEALIZED
NOTION OF
ME THAT I
COULD
NEVER
LIVE UP
TO.

BUT
EVERY-
ONE
ELSE
WAS JUST
LIKE HER.

THAT'S
WHY
WHEN
SHE
PASSED
AWAY...

...I
FELT
AS IF...

...I WAS
FINALLY
FREE.

...SHE WAS
THE ONLY
PERSON WHO
WOULD CALL
ME ACH!

SO
THAT'S
WHY YOU
BECAME
THE BOY
WHO CRIED
WOLF?

ACH!

how
fun-

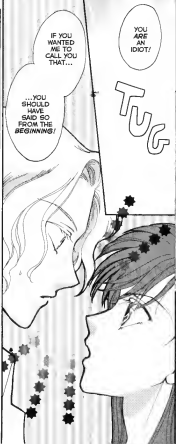
I THOUGHT
THAT BY
DITCHING
SHOWBIZ,
I COULD
FINALLY FIND
A PLACE
WHERE I
BELONG.

HOW
SILLY
OF
ME.

I
HATE
~~MY~~
MOTHER

I
HATED
HER,
BUT...

BUT
INSTEAD
I FOUND
OUT THAT
WITHOUT MY
CELEBRITY,
I'M NOT
NEEDED.





...BUT
HE
HELPS
ME, TOO.

THE BOY
I KNOW
IS AGI
MITSUMINE.

HE
CAN
BE A
LIAR
AND
MEAN

...AND
SELFISH
SOME-
TIMES...

HE'S
REALLY
A KIND
PERSON.



IS
THAT
WHY?



...YOU
THOUGHT
HYOLE
WAS
HARASSING
ME...

"I
SEE."

WHEN
I FIRST
MET YOU
IN THE
SCHOOL
YARD...

...AND
DROPPED
THE
LIGHTER
ON PUR-
POSE,
DIDN'T
YOU?

"ARE
YOU
GUYS A
COUPLE?"



THAT'S
WHY I
DECIDED
TO TRUST
YOU.

FOR ME,
THAT WAS
ENOUGH.

BUT...



IS THAT
THE ONLY
REASON
YOU'VE
STUCK
WITH ME
ALL THIS
TIME?



IT
IS UP
TO YOU
WHETHER
OR NOT TO
ACCEPT
ME...



...AOI.









WOULD
YOU BETRAY
YOUR OWN
MOTHER?



SOU...
TA...



A...



I'LL BE
FINE BY
MYSELF
NOW.



I
CAN'T
COME
WITH
YOU.

L...



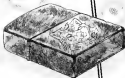
...I
ALWAYS
LOVED
YOU.

HER
NAME IS
ASAMI
MITSUMINE.

ASAMI...

I'M
SORRY,
MOM.

I DIDN'T
LIKE YOU,
BUT...





BY THE WAY...





A FISHBOWL

SOME OF THE IDEAS TAPPED IN A FISHBOWL... BUT
THIS WASN'T MADE NO EFFORTS TO ADDRESS
ANY OF THE RANDOM THINKING, BUT TO BE THE
BOWL. THIS IS A 11 THAT PRESENTS A NEW METHOD
BUT TO YOURS WITH A NEW METHOD OF COLLECTING IDEAS
FROM YOU WANT TO CALL ME

a Fishbowl

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a Fishbowl

DOGFIGHT 14

THE
SECRET
OF
MANA...

...HAS
BEEN
PROTECTED
BY THE
KANORI
FAMILY
FOR
GENERATIONS.

...ANY
MEMBER
OF OUR
CLAN WHO
LEAVES THE
VILLAGE
TO MINGLE
WITH
OUTSIDERS...

...IS
NEEDLESSLY
PUTTING
OUR SECRET
AT RISK AND
BRINGING
SHAME
TO THE
FAMILY.

THERE-
FORE...

EVEN IF
IT MEANS
USING FORCE,
BRING HER
BACK TO THE
VILLAGE.

THIS
TREA-
CHERY

...CANNOT
BE ALLOWED
TO STAND.

DOGFIGHT
HERE

IF
SHE
REFUSES
TO
COMPLY...

DOGFIGHT 14





THIS IS
CLEARLY...



...HARASSMENT
AGAINST ME.



WOW!
THESE
CHAIRS ARE
NOT THE
WORK OF A
HUMAN
BEING!

I'M
IMPRESSED
THAT ANY
OF THE
STUDENTS
WERE
STRONG
ENOUGH
TO DO
THIS.



A
MONSTER?

AN
EVIL
SPIRIT?

IF IT
WASN'T
DONE
BY A
HUMAN...

...WHO
DO YOU
THINK
DID DO
IT?



If only
they
knew...

Ah
ha ha
ha!

OF
COURSE
HOT,
SILLY!

How dare
you're so
stupid!

YOU
DON'T
THINK
MONSTERS
ARE REAL,
DO YOU?!

D...
DON'T
BE
STUPID!



...THAN
HARASSMENT.

SERI-
OUSLY!

IT'S
MORE
LIKE A
CURSE...



STILL...
IT'S WEIRD
...
...THAT
ONLY
KAMORI'S
DESK
WAS
ATTACKED.

So that's
kinda
weird!



AMANE-
CHAN
IS STILL
BULLIED
AT
SCHOOL.

OH!
I
ALMOST
FORGOT!



AMANE
COMES
FROM
A RURAL
VILLAGE
WHERE SHE
NEVER DEALT
WITH OTHERS
HER AGE...

...AND THE
ONLY FRIEND
SHE HAS
FROM HOME
IS HER
GRANDMA,
WHOLE— A
MOM-ONE

BECAUSE
SHE NEVER
SMILES
AND ISN'T
VERY
SOCIAL...

...PEOPLE
THINK SHE'S
AN ICE
QUEEN AND
NO ONE EVER
INCLUDES
HER.

SHE'S
A MAMA-
TSUKU...

...A
SHAMANESS
WHO USES
THE POWER
IN WORDS
TO CONTROL
SPIRITS.

IT'S
NOT
HER
FAULT,
THOUGH.

MAGIC
ASIDE,
SHE CAN
BE REALLY
SENSE
SOME-
TIMES.

How many times do
I have to remind you
that's a SECRET!!

Oh,
that's
right.



AS A
MATTER
OF FACT,
I HAVE A
KOMA-OMI
WHO...

NOT
AT
ALL.

WHAT'S
THE MATTER
KAMORI?
SCARED OF
MONSTERS?

Oh,
that's
right.



Amane.



LATELY,
THOUGH...

...SHE
HAS
MADE A
FEW NEW
FRIENDS.



SQUEAL!

AOL...

Welcome
wagyu

Ar-due!



YOU'RE
SO CUTE
WHEN
YOU'RE
WOR-
RIED.

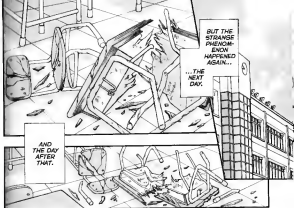


ETAAAH!



ARE
YOU
BEING
BULLIED?

Not that
I could do
anything
about it.



BUT THE
STRANGE
PHENOM-
ENON
HAPPENED
AGAIN...

...THE
NEXT
DAY.

AND
THE DAY
AFTER
THAT.

THIS IS
REALLY
CREEPING
ME OUT...

QUATTER

THAT'S
THREE
DAYS IN
A ROW
...
THAT
ONLY
KAMORI'S
DESK HAS
BEEN
ATTACKED

DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT IT!

MAYBE
KAMORI
REALLY IS
CURSED!



WHO-
EVER IS
RESPONSIBLE
HAS GREAT
POWER.

NO
ORDINARY
HUMAN
COULD
HAVE
CAUSED
THAT
DAMAGE.



Scream!

LET'S
FIGURE
OUT WHO'S
DOING THIS
TO YOU AND
REPORT
THEM!

I'M
TELLING YOU
IT'S JUST
JEALOUS
FANS OF
ACHISENIN
OR
HYOLE
KUN.



Heh..?



IT
MIGHT BE
SOMEONE
FROM THE
CLAN.



BUT THEY
HAVEN'T
TRIED TO
ATTACK ME
DIRECTLY.

IT'S
AS IF
THEY'RE
TRYING
TO RUIN
MY LIFE
HERE.





HONESTLY,
I DON'T
KNOW WHY
YOU BOYS
BOTHER
HANGING
OUT WITH
KAMORI.



NOT
AT
ALL.

WHAT?

YOU
GOT A
PROBLEM
WITH HER,
SAMA-
MURA?



I
WERE
KAMORI
I'D HATE TO
INVOLVE MY
FRIENDS.



AFTER THAT
THING THAT
HAPPENED TO
KAMORI'S
DESK, I'M
JUST WOR-
RIED...

...THAT IT
COULD BE
DANGER-
OUS TO
BE NEAR
HER.



ESPECIALLY
BECAUSE
WHATEVER'S
STALKING
HER...

...ISN'T
HUMAN,
RIGHT?

YOU GIRLS
BETTER LEAVE
HER THE HELL
ALONE...

THIS
COULD BE A
SPOOOOKY
CURSE!

Kya ha ha ha!



...OR
ELSE
I'LL
NEVER
TALK TO YOU
AGAIN.







BUT THE
STRANGE
PHENOM-
ENON
HAPPENED
AGAIN...

...THE
NEXT
DAY.

AND
THE DAY
AFTER
THAT.



THIS IS
REALLY
CREEPING
ME OUT...

QUATTER

THAT'S
THREE
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DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT IT!



MAYBE
KAMORI
REALLY IS
CURSED!



WHO-
EVER IS
RESPONSIBLE
HAS GREAT
POWER.

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ORDINARY
HUMAN
COULD
HAVE
CAUSED
THAT
DAMAGE.

Screaming:
☆



LET'S
FIGURE
OUT WHO'S
DOING THIS
TO YOU AND
REPORT
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IT'S JUST
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IT'S
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THEY'RE
TRYING
TO RUIN
MY LIFE
HERE.



SOME-
ONE
FROM
YOUR
VILLAGE
?
WHY
WOULD
THEY DO
THIS
TO
YOU?/

THEY
BELIEVE
THAT THE
SACRED
POWER
OF MANA
RESTS
WITH ME.

THERE-
FORE
THEY'RE
AFRAID
THAT MY
POWER...

...MIGHT
BE POL-
LUTED BY
THE NEGATIVE
KI OF THE
CITY.

...ARE
AGAINST
MY LIVING
AWAY FROM
THE VILLAGE,
RIGHT?

YOU ARE
AWARE
THAT
PEOPLE
FROM MY
CLAN...



PERHAPS
THEY'RE
NOW
RESORTING
TO MORE
FORCEFUL
MEANS TO
TAKE ME
BACK.

THIS
FAR
WE'VE
JUST
IGNORED
THEM.

THIS IS
JUST A
THEORY,
BUT ALL
THE
SAME...



SO
THAT'S WHY
HOUUE-KUN
HAS BEEN
UPSET
LATELY.



THOSE DAMN
VILLAGE
ELDER'S
KEEP CALLING
BEGGING
YOU TO
COME
BACK.
I'M
SO SICK
OF THEM
BOTHERING
US!

AH!

CRUNCH



...FOR NOW,
IT WOULD
BE SAFER
IF YOU KEPT
YOUR DISTANCE
FROM ME.



...
HUH?



DON'T
WORRY.

I
HAVE
HYOUE.

BE-
SIDES...

...I
DON'T
WANT TO
PUT YOU
IN ANY
DANGER.

LIKE
SAHA-
MURA
SAID
...

B...
BUT
...
WHAT
ABOUT
YOU?



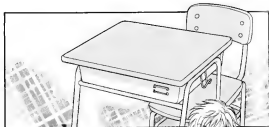




I CAN'T
JUST
ABANDON
HER NOW.

EVEN
THOUGH
SHE ACTS
CONFIDENT,
I KNOW
THAT AMANE
IS WORRIED.

I WONDER
IF THERE'S
ANYTHING
I CAN DO TO
HELP HER...?



CHATTER

BUT WE
SHOULD
STILL
KEEP OUR
GUARD
UP.

YEAH
...

I GUESS
THE DESK
WAS SAFE
TODAY.



THAT
WOULD
BE EVEN
WORSE!

WHAT
IF IT
ATTACKS
HER
DIRECTLY
NEXT
TIME?

I ALWAYS
KNEW
KAMORI
WAS
TROUBLE!

WHO
KNOWS.
MAYBE IT'S
MOVED ON
TO OTHER
OBJECTS.

DO YOU
THINK THE
CURSE IS
FINALLY
OVER?



Teh!

SHE
SHOULD
DO US ALL
A FAVOR AND
STAY AWAY
FROM SCHOOL
FOR A
WHILE!

Kya
H
H
H
H
H

LEAVE HER
THE HELL
ALONE!!

HUH
??

...
ME.

♪ CAN IT,
JERKS,
OR YOU'LL
HAVE TO
ANSWER
TO—

BAM



AWAKE-
CHAN...

...JUST
WANTS TO
LEAD A
NORMAL
LIFE.

SO...



**I CAN'T
STAND IT
ANYMORE!**

GOB









I FINALLY
CAME TO MY
SENSES!

ZASH!

COME,
HYOUE!

I KNOW
HOW TO
SOLVE THIS
PROBLEM!



OKAY...

HUH?

UM...



I NEED
YOU TOO,
ATEKO.

WILL YOU
HELP ME?

OF
COURSE
I WILL!!







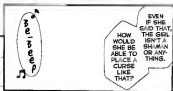
Maybe that's why
Sawa-mura's here
no more to you.

THAT'S
WHAT
I SAW.

Yeah
whatever...



I'll
PUT A
CURSE
ON YOU!!



tee-tee-p

EVEN
IF SHE
SAID THAT,
THE GIRL
ISN'T A
SHAMAN
OR ANY-
THING.
HOW
WOULD
SHE BE
ABLE TO
PLACE A
CURSE
LIKE
THAT?



THE
STUDENT
FROM CLASS
B THAT
CONFRONT-
ED
SAWA-
MURA...

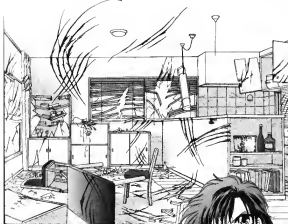
...HIRED
SOMEONE
ONLINE
WHO SAID
THAT SHE
COULD
CAST
SPELLS.

She didn't
think it
would really
work.



YOU WERE
ABSOLUTELY
RIGHT, AMANE-
CHAN.











LATELY
I'VE BEEN
KEEPING MY
EMOTIONS
CAREFULLY
IN CHECK...

...BUT
TODAY MY
BEST FRIEND
ENCOURAGED
ME TO SHOW
MY FEELINGS

100

...SO
THIS
TIME
I'M NOT
HOLDING
BACK.



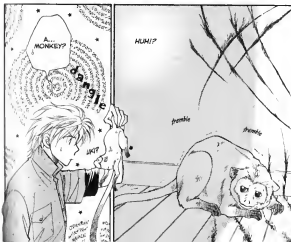
FSSSH!

THIS IS
JUST AN
APPETIZER.

I'LL
GIVE
YOU THE
MAIN
COURSE...

...WHEN
WE'VE
BROUGHT
THIS
ROGUE
SPIRIT
DOWN!







HYOUUE!



WHAT?



SMASH

GTH

KADII-

SHUNK



!?

WHAT
THE
HELL!?



AT LEAST NOW WE KNOW THAT THIS INCIDENT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH MY CLAN.

DON'T WORRY.



OUT...



SURELY THE KAHORI CLAN...

...WOULDN'T SEND SUCH AN AMATEUR.

WHAT ON
EARTH IS
GOING ON!?

THAT
MONKEY...

...WAS
DEFINITELY
A MONKEY-SOM



WHAT
HAVE WE
HERE...?



kee
kee

I MAY HAVE...

...SCREWED
UP MY
FIRST
JOB...

...BUT IT
LOOKS
LIKE I'VE
FOUND
MYSELF...

...AN
EVEN
BIGGER
PRIZE!

ORIGINAL = 100% BUT IS

A NEW PROJECTS SET OF JOURNALS, NO TWO A PAGE OF DRAWING, NO A
A LICENSED BY GOTOH A SCANNED BY RED A



IT SEEMED LIKE EVERYONE HAD BEEN IMPLICATED IN THE SCANDAL. THE
THEY WERE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT AND COULD NOT HAVE BEEN THIS FOLK. JUST DON'T
CLAIM IT AS YOUR OWN. DON'T EXPECT ME TO SCANNER THIS OR A REGULAR WORK. I
WANT TO SEE YOU. I WANT TO SEE THE WAY I SCANNER SCANDAL
ALSO IF YOU CAN FIND THE WAY I SCANNER THIS TO DO IT AND NOT A SCANDAL
FOR THE SCANDAL. I WANT TO SEE THE WAY I SCANNER THE PROJECT
SUPPORT THE MANGA!

DOG FIGHT 15



TAP

TAP

THERE'S
A GIRL
THAT I
HATE.

I'LL
NEVER
FORGIVE
HER FOR
THIS.

BUT
THEN
SHE
STOLE
MY BOY-
FRIEND.

I
THOUGHT
SHE WAS
MY FRIEND.
I TRUST-
ED HER.

Subject

Please place a curse.

PLEASE
PLACE
A CURSE
ON HER.

There's a girl that I hate. I thought she was my friend. I trusted her. But then she stole my boyfriend. Please place a curse on her.

HER
NAME
IS...

...AMANE
KAMORI.

TAP



THAT'S RIGHT!

ALL WE HAVE TO DO NOW IS TO WAIT FOR THE SHAMAN FROM THE SPELL SITE TO CONTACT US, RIGHT?

THERE YOU GO, IT'S BEEN SENT.

Send you Sign.
No mistakes at all.



...THE CURSE ON SAWA-MURA.

...THE CURSE WILL BEGIN. THAT'S WHAT I HEARD FROM THE CLASS B STUDENT WHO PLACED...

...AND ONCE SHE RECEIVES PAYMENT...

Library

YOU E-SEND HER THE NAME, BIRTHDAY AND BACKGROUND OF THE PERSON YOU WANT CURSED

SHE'LL CONTACT YOU VIA E-MAIL...



.....

I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF USING ANANE AS A DECOY.

DO YOU THINK THIS IS SUCH A GOOD IDEA?

HEY...





...INTO
EVERYONE
ELSE'S
SUPER-
NATURAL
PROB-
LEMS?

SO
WHY DO
YOU KEEP
STICKING
YOUR
NOSE...

YOU NEED
TO SIT
BACK AND
MAINTAIN
A LOW
PROFILE.



YOU
LEFT THE
VILLAGE
BECAUSE
YOU WANTED
TO LEAD A
NORMAL
LIFE, DIDN'T
YOU?

YOU
DIDN'T
WANT YOUR
LIFE TO
REVOLVE
AROUND
YOUR...
GIFT.



SLAP
NO
ち



BESIDES,
THINK ABOUT
ME, WHO HAS
TO BAIL YOU
OUT WHEN
THINGS GET
TOUGH.





...THAT
MAKES
OUR
VILLAGE
SO
OPPRES-
SIVE!

IT'S THAT
SELFISH
ATTITUDE
...



THEN
I'D BE
NO BETTER
THAN THE
PEOPLE I'M
RUNNING
AWAY
FROM!

WHA...

**WHAT
THE
HELL
!?**



I WON'T
COME
TO YOUR
AID THIS
TIME...

...EVEN
IF YOU
BEG
ME!



WHA...
WHAT'S
YOUR
PROB-
LEM?

I'M
JUST
WORRIED
ABOUT
YOU!



FINE!
I SEE
WHERE
THINGS
STAND.

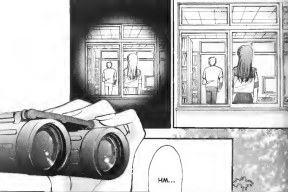
YOU'RE
ON
YOUR
OWN.

*Why do they
always end
up like this?*

*And I'm
always
stuck in
the middle!*

AND IF
IT'S TOO
MUCH
TROUBLE
FOR YOU
THEN
DON'T
PARTI-
CIPATE.

WE'LL
TAKE
CARE
OF
THINGS
ON OUR
OWN!



HM...



...WITH
SUCH A
SIMPLE
TRAP?

SO
SHE
THINKS
SHE
CAN
CATCH
ME...

THAT
SPOILED
BITCH IS
EVEN MORE
NAIVE THAN
I THOUGHT.

SHE
MAKES
ME
SICK!



IF I DON'T
HURRY
UP I'LL
BE LATE
FOR MY
DATE.

OOPS!
IT'S
TIME.



SEBON

RUBY



COME
TO
THINK
OF
IT...

...SOME-
THING
LIKE THIS
HAPPENED
LONG
AGO...

WOULDN'T
YOU AGREE,
AWANE-SAMA?



UM...
ACTUALLY

WHAT
DID
SHE
SAY?

SHE
GAVE ME AN
ADDRESS.
SHE WANTS
TO MEET UP
AND TALK
IN PERSON.



THE
SHAMAN
FROM THE
SPELL SITE
RESPONDED
TO OUR
EMAIL.

AWANE-CHAN/
AWANE-CHAN!



I DON'T
KNOW
ABOUT
THIS
PLACE...

DOESN'T IT
JUST SCREAM OUT

TRAP

!?



MAYBE WE
SHOULDN'T
HAVE GOT
INVOLVED...

MAYBE
HYOUE-KUN
WAS
RIGHT...

DON'T
WORRY,
ATEKO.

YOU THOUGHT
WE COULD
JUST CONVINCE
HER TO STOP
ATTACKING
PEOPLE
WITH POLITE
CONVER-
SATION?

There's
no way
in
hell!

IF WE'RE
SINCERE
I'M SURE
SHE'LL
LISTEN TO
REASON.





HUH?!



DON'T
WORRY,
ATEKO.

A
RUSTY
OLD
GIRDER
JUST
FELL.

I
CAN'T
HELP
BUT
WORRY?!



SUISSU

SUISSU

WH...

WHAT
IS
THAT?!



WHOOOSH



OH
NO!!

IT'S
COMING
RIGHT
FOR
US!!





COUSIN
HAYATO?

SENSEI?

WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING
HERE?

YOU
CAME
BACK
TO
TOKYO?

I WANT
TO ASK
YOU THE
SAME
QUESTION.

WHAT
ARE YOU
TWO DOING
IN THIS
PLACE?

HERE
WE...

...GO!

DA!







...I
LEARNED
THAT THE
DAUGHTER
OF THE
BURUASHI
FAMILY HAD
RECENTLY
LEFT THE
VILLAGE.

WHEN
I STARTED
LOOKING
INTO
WHO...
...COULD
BE BEHIND
THESE
INCIDENTS
...

THERE
HAVE
ALWAYS
BEEN
WEALTHY
PEOPLE
...
...WHO
EMPLOY OUR
KIND FOR
PROFIT AND
REVENGE.



I'VE
HEARD
THIS
ONE!

I DECIDED TO
BRING HER
HOME BEFORE
SHE TOOK
HERSELF
BEYOND
REDEMPTION.



...IF SHE
AGREES TO
SURRENDER
PEACEFULLY,
I WON'T HAVE
TO DRAG
HER BACK
...

ANY-
WAY
...

NUKENINGARI,
RIGHT? ABOUT THE
NINJA WHO
RAN AWAY
FROM THE
CLAN!

Well, once
I agree it's
better like
that... but
we're not
angels.

the
last
person
seen

...
COMMITTED
BY MANA-
TSUKA/
OF OUR
CLAN.

LATELY,
HOWEVER,
THERE'S BEEN
AN ALARMING
INCREASE IN
THE NUMBER
OF SUCH
ACTS...









ISU-RUGI--

AWANE-CHAN!?

OH,
NO YOU
DON'T.

AWANE!



OPEN
YOUR
MOUTH
AGAIN
...

...AND
I'LL CUT
YOUR
THROAT.

WE CAN'T
HAVE YOU
USING YOUR
KOTOHAMA,
NOW CAN
WE?



AND,
HIRAKA-
SAMA,
LOSE THE
KOMA-ONI,
'KAY?'
♡

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HYOUE-KUN.

Hyoey!

HYOUE



YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE HER BODY-GUARD!

YOUR MASTER'S LIFE WAS IN DANGER! HOW CAN YOU STAND THERE SO CONFIDENTLY?

Hm...
He's like
a monkey
in the
jungle!

Don't call
me a
monkey!



THIS CHANGES NOTHING.

AWANE IS STILL MY HOSTAGE.



MAYBE SO, BUT YOU AREN'T HOLDING ALL THE CARDS.



AH! THE STAR HAS ARRIVED.

♡





...THIS?

Heyyy!
Give it
back!!

A book?
A photo album?

SHOO
SHOO

SHOO

TCH!

GRR!







YOU
DIDN'T
ACTUALLY
BELIEVE
THAT, DID
YOU?



I THOUGHT
YOU WEREN'T
GOING TO
HELP ME?



I
WASN'T
SURE...



WHAT'S
SO PRE-
CIOUS
ABOUT
THESE?



MY
PRECIOUS
PICTURES!!



AH...

NO!

YOU'RE A
POP STAR
OTAKU!

0.10.2.0...

I
GET
IT...

MAGA-
ZINE
PIN-
UPS?

dream
+ team

THESE
ARE ALL
POP
STARS...

STAGGER



DON'T
TELL ME
YOU LEFT
THE CLAN
BECAUSE
OF THIS
SILLY HOBBY
OF YOURS?

WAIT
A SEC-
OND.

B...
BUT...

Don't know
is coming?

WHAT'S WRONG
WITH LIKING
HOT GUYS?

What's
wrong
I guess?

Don't know
is coming?

ARRRRGH!

YOU WASTED
MY TIME
FOR THIS
NONSENSE!?



YOU'RE
SO OB-
SESSED
WITH
TRADITION,
YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND
WHAT IT
MEANS TO LIVE!

YOU'RE
LIKE
EVERY-
ONE
ELSE
IN THE
VILLAGE
!

...TO
YOU
TWO!

MAYBE
IT'S
"NON-
SENSE"
...



I'M
NOT ABLE
TO GO TO ANY
CONCERTS,
SIGNINGS OR
APPEARANCES OF
MY FAVORITE
CELEBRITIES....

...IF I
LIVE IN
OUR
BACKWATER
VILLAGE!!



"Yesterday when she mentioned her 'bits', she was actually waiting for her favorite pop star to come out of his studio."



SHE WAS AFRAID THAT SHE WOULD LOSE HER TRUE SELF.

AH...
I SEE...

BECAUSE SHE COULD NOT EXPRESS HERSELF AT HOME...

...SHE KEPT HER FEELINGS LOCKED UP INSIDE.

...I COULDN'T STAND IT!

AH, I WAS SO SICK OF THAT PLACE...



FROM BIRTH, THE ELDERS HAD A PLAN FOR HOW WE WERE TO LIVE OUR LIVES.

I FELT DEAD INSIDE!

CHILD



YOU UNDERSTAND ME?

...BUT YOU SIMPLY CANNOT USE YOUR POWERS TO HURT OTHER PEOPLE.

I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL...



YOU'LL NEVER
UNDERSTAND
HOW I FEEL!!



...BUT
I DON'T
HAVE
ANY
OTHER
CHOICE!

I WISH
I DIDN'T
HAVE TO
SELL MY
NANA-
TSUKAI
SKILLS...



THE CLAN
WOULDN'T
SUPPORT
SOMEONE
LIKE ME!

I'M
NOT
THE
HEIR!

WHEN I
RAN AWAY,
I DIDN'T HAVE
ANY MONEY OR
FRIENDS TO
FALL BACK
ON...

UNLIKE
YOU!



SHUT
UP!!

YOU
MAKE
ME--

I'M
STUCK
LIVING
OUT THEIR
DAMN
ANCIENT
TRADITIONS!

THEY
WOULDN'T
JUST
AGREE
TO LET
ME LIVE
CARFREE
LIKE YOU.



HAVING EVERYONE COUNT ON YOU DOESN'T MAKE YOU MORE FREE. THE CLAN KEEPS AWANE UNDER CLOSER SCRUTINY THAN THEY'LL EVER KEEP YOU!



...THINK AGAIN!

IF YOU THINK AWANE'S LIFE IS CARE-FREE...



DON'T ACT LIKE YOU'RE THE ONLY VICTIM HERE.



EH
...?!

...THE REST OF THE VILLAGE IS DYING TO FIND A WAY TO BRING HER BACK!

EVEN THOUGH WE MANAGED TO COMVINCE AWANE'S GRANDMOTHER TO LET HER LEAVE...



THAT'S WHY SHE DOESN'T FEEL COMFORTABLE...

...OPENING UP TO OTHERS!

AND IT'S WHY SHE'S BULLIED AT SCHOOL!

EXACTLY.

IF ANYONE FINDS OUT WHO AWANE REALLY IS...

...THE ELDERS WILL CALL HER BACK TO THE VILLAGE!





I
ALWAYS...

...ALWAYS
STOOD
ON HIGH
PLACES
THAT I
COULDN'T
REACH.

AMINE-
SAMA...



SHE ALWAYS
HAD TALENT,
POWER AND
EVERYTHING
ELSE...



...ALWAYS...





I
GUESS I
HAVE NO
CHOICE.

I'LL
GO BACK
TO THE
VILLA--

IT
SEEMS
THAT...

...YOU'RE
START-
ING TO
UNDER-
STAND.



AMANE!?

!?



AH...

AMANE-
SAMA!?



IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE ...
...SOME-THING YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT.

AMAHE ...

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS YOUR CONCERT, DO YOU?
YOU CAN STILL MAKE IT IF YOU LEAVE NOW.

T-S CONCERT
TOKYO RADIO
SAT. 03-
E HALL
¥15,000

I'M STILL LOOKING FOR THAT FOR "SOME-THING" MYSELF.





TA-DAH!

Zero

I STILL HAVE A
TICKET FOR
TOMORROW'S
CONCERT!

YESTERDAY'S STARS

...WITH
POP
STARS!

THIS
IS A
SIDE
STORY
...

...BUT
ONE DAY
ARANG
DEVELOPS
HER OWN
SECRET
OBSES-
SION...

These
characters
are from
ZERO-ONE

to those
who want
they call
pop stars

Arang



THANK YOU♡

◆Mick Takeuchi 2002◆



THE CONCEPTS BEHIND CHIAKI'S CHARACTER DESIGN WERE SHORT HAIR, SCHOOL UNIFORM WITH A TIE AND A SPY. THE IMAGE OF CHIAKI THAT I HAD IN MIND WAS A BOYISH KASEROU OGIN (I'M NOT SURE WHAT KIND OF A CHARACTER THIS WOULD BE...) BUT THERE ARE NO BATHING SCENES. (LAUGH)

KUROGANE, CHIAKI'S KOMA-ONI, IS A MONKEY IN CONTRAST TO THE OTHER TWO KOMA-ONI THAT ALREADY APPEARED IN THE SERIES, NAMELY A DOG AND A BIRD. WE'RE ALMOST READY TO GO TO ONISASHIMA!

IT'S BEEN MY DREAM SINCE I WAS A CHILD TO HAVE A PET MONKEY.

ANYWAY, I KNOW THIS SERIES IS FAR FROM PERFECT, BUT I WOULD BE DELIGHTED IF YOU WILL ENJOY READING IT ANYWAY. ♪ ON A RELATED NOTE, I USUALLY LIKE TO READ AUTHOR'S NOTES IN OTHER PEOPLE'S MANGA, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO MYSELF WRITING IT, I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT TO SAY... ♪ WELL, I NORMALLY DON'T END UP WITH EXTRA PAGES THAT I NEED TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING TO FILL (LAUGH: IF YOU GUYS HAVE ANYTHING YOU WANT ME TO WRITE ABOUT IN THE BONUS PAGES, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SEND YOUR SUGGESTIONS!

OH! AND PLEASE SEND YOUR FEEDBACK OF THE SERIES!! YOUR FAN LETTERS SUPPORT ME AND HELP KEEP ME GOING. ♪ THANK YOU FOR SENDING THEM. ♪ I ALWAYS READ THEM. ♪ ANYWAY, THIS IS IT FOR TODAY. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN IN VOLUME 4! HOPEFULLY NEXT VOLUME WILL TURN OUT TO BE A ROMANTIC STORY!

MICK, OCTOBER 2002

Ao-S
Yukako-T
Akira-K
Takumi-A
Riu-A
Emu-K
Tohru-K
Chiheru-I
Hitoyo-S
R-Yokoyama
My Family
and YOU♡

◆Special Thanks◆

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TRANSLATOR'S NOTES

Pg. 12 – “*Kotowage*”

Amane's inadvertent pun about “milking” was originally about the word “kotowage” which can mean to extort money from someone but is literally a deep-fried cutlet.

Pg. 33 – “*Howl of a defeated dog*”

The phrase “*Mokeinu no touboi*” (Howl of a Defeated Dog) is used to describe someone who complains about something after the decision is already made.

Pg. 74 – *Mitsumine Shrine*

Mitsumine Shrine is located in Saitama prefecture. The shrine's guardian deity is a wolf and about 30 wolf sculptures decorate the grounds.

Pg. 77 – “*Turning*” puns

In the Japanese, one of the phrases Amane says is “Komura gaeri,” which means leg cramps, but she gets stuck on the second word, “gaeri,” which means “flip” or “turn.”

Pg. 154 – *Snake in the Grass*

The picture of the snake is a visual play on a Japanese saying that sticking one's nose where it doesn't belong is like jumping into a hush full of snakes.

Pg. 179 – *Johnny's*

Johnny's is a Japanese talent agency for guys that is famous for having introduced many top J-pop stars.

Pg. 190 – *Maruberu*

Maruberu is a store in the Asakusa district of Tokyo that sells celebrity pictures. It's very popular among pop idol otaku who collect celebrity photos. These small wallet-sized photos are called “*Buwomoid*.”

Pg. 191 – *Kagerou Ogin*

Kagerou Ogin was a character from *Mito Komon*, a popular historical TV drama. Ogin was a female ex-ninja who was popular for her sexy bathing scenes.

Pg. 191 – *Onigashima*

Onigashima (“Ogre Island”) is an island that appears in the Japanese folktale *Momotaro* (The Peach Boy). Momotaro, accompanied by a dog, a pheasant, and a monkey, bravely goes to the island to defeat the evil ogres that have been bothering the humans.

IN VOLUME 4 OF

HER MAJESTY'S Dog

In fairy tales, a kiss of purest love can transform a beast into a handsome prince. But if the beast never becomes human, can the princess ever truly love him?

Amane takes to the stage while Hyoue's passions rise in Her Majesty's Dog Volume 4!



A FISHBOWL

SOME OF THE IDEAS TAPPED IN A FISHBOWL... BUT
THIS WASN'T MADE NO EFFORT TO ADDRESS
ANY OF THE RANDOM THINKING, BUT TO BE THE
BRAIN. THIS IS A LIST THAT PRESENTS A NEW METHOD
BUT TO YOURS WITH A NEW METHOD OF COLLECTING IDEAS
FROM YOU WANT TO CALL ME

a Fishbowl

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ATTENDING
A SEMINAR
RELATED TO
YOUR FIRM
2000

FURNISH IF I AM
 YEARS TO NEXT BIRTH-
 CONTRIBUTORS THEN FILL
 ALL THE UNKNOWN BOXES
 AND WHAT YOU WANT
 BEFORE IT IS LOST FOREVER
 CLAIM IT AS YOURS
 TODAY

Shop

[illegible]

SUPPORT THE MANGAKA!